



A COMMEMORATIVE HISTORY OF BUXTON PARK

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With Grateful Appreciation

*to all the men and women caretakers
of
Indianola's Parks and Trails.*



John Hessling
Indianola's First Park Custodian
1929-1959

INTRODUCTION

In the heart of Indianola lies a serene park, filled with beautiful flower gardens and majestic trees, with the calming trickle of a water fountain, and Victorian-looking benches and a gazebo for tranquil relaxation and reflection.

That park is Buxton Park — once a simple cow pasture, but now a visually-striking element in the Indianola landscape and a vital part of Indianola's history.

As a Christmas gift in December of 1905, prominent Warren County businessman William Buxton Sr. gave more than 5-acres of land, that he had recently purchased, to the city with the stipulation the land be used to make a city park. Established in 1849, Indianola went more than 50 years without a public park before Buxton donated the land.

Born in Derbyshire, England, Buxton came to the United States in 1851. After a yearlong stay in Indiana, he came to Iowa and settled on 400-acres in the Scotch Ridge area of Carlisle. He owned and operated woolen mills near Palmyra, and later built and conducted the woolen mill in Carlisle.

In the 1890s, after buying controlling interest in the Warren County State Bank, Buxton moved his family to Indianola and lived in a home near what is now the First United Methodist Church. He was instrumental in building many business and residential properties in Indianola, as well as helping found the Indianola Publishing Co., the original parent company of the Warren County Leader.

Buxton also served as a trustee for Simpson College, where his son and grandson attended. It was land just north of the college campus that Buxton donated to the city, which in 1906 became Buxton Park. Since then, the park has been a vital part of both the city and the college, serving as a natural classroom as well as a quiet study area for students.

The conditions of the donation of the land suggested the city elect park commissioners and raise and levy a tax for park purposes. Now, 100 years later, the city continues to have a park board and has added additional parks, including Pickard, Barker, Downey, Dayton, McCord, Moats, Memorial and Sesquicentennial parks. The city now maintains 12 parks and trails.

When the park land was donated to the city, the area was divided by streets and alleys, but Buxton asked city leaders to vacate the streets and alleys to create an undivided park. In its early days, the park featured a small pagoda and reflecting pool, and was used in much the same way it is today, providing space for outings, reunions and weddings.

At one time the park had a gazebo that was later removed. Today the park features a new gazebo, a fountain and many flower gardens, park benches and trees. The park also boasts many rare and unique specimens, such as ginkgo, tulip and magnolia trees. It is believed the park has the largest magnolia tree in Iowa.

Many of the trees in Buxton Park were planted by John Hessling who was the park custodian from 1929 to 1959. Hessling, a gardener from Holland, came to the United States when Kaiser Wilhelm II, who fled to Holland in exile from Germany, purchased the property where Hessling was working after World War I. Today the park is maintained by a horticulturist and the parks and recreation department staff, as well as many volunteers.

Buxton died in California in 1918, leaving a legacy to Indianola that blooms to this day.



❖ THE OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS ❖

GENESIS OF BUXTON PARK

At a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Indianola, Iowa, held on December 26, 1905, Mr. William Buxton Sr. and his attorney, A. V. Proudfoot appeared and made an informal offer to donate land to the City for park purposes subject to certain conditions which were set out and explained by Mr. Proudfoot.

Whereupon the City Council by unanimous, standing vote adopted the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, the City of Indianola, Iowa, has this day been made the beneficiary of two blocks of ground, to-wit: Blocks 28 and 29 in College Addition to said Indianola, Iowa, for a public park, this through the generosity of our esteemed townsman, William Buxton, Sr., in accepting this gift so generously given, the City Council of the City of Indianola in special session by unanimous vote adopts the following resolutions:

"1st. That we recognize this gift as one worthy of commendation: That this City has in the past received many benefits through the liberality of William Buxton Sr. in donations to our College, Churches and other Public Interests; that in all ways he has ever been a generous and public spirited citizen.

"2nd. In this last gift of a Public Park, we, the representatives of the City, acting and speaking for the City, rejoice that through the liberality of the donor, and the kindly interest in the public welfare, we now have these grounds dedicated to our City for the benefit and pleasure of our people.

"3rd. That we hereby express to William Buxton Sr. our hearty appreciation of this donation. That this gift may be made of permanent record so as to ever be a remembrance of his thoughtful interest and regard for our City, that this Park shall be named and recorded, 'Buxton Park'.

"4th. That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our records, published in our city papers, and a copy of same be given to Wm. Buxton Sr.

"Done at Indianola, Iowa, this 26th day of December, 1905 AD.

Recorded in Minute Book "G" on Pages 248-244, City Council of the City of Indianola, Iowa.

CONDITIONS OF THE DONATION OF BUXTON PARK
CONTINUED

"Provided further, that the City Council shall arrange for the payment or remission of all taxes for 1906, which are now due and a lien upon said blocks of ground.

"Believing that the City of Indianola, Iowa, and its good people as represented by your honorable body, is ready and willing to carry out the conditions herein set forth, the above is respectfully submitted for your consideration and final action."

(Signed) Wm. Buxton

By A. V. Proudfoot
His Attorney

By motions, the Council accepted the above proposition, ordered that it be spread on the minutes and that the matter be referred to Judiciary Committee and City Solicitor preparation of the proper ordinance.

Minutes of the City Council of the City of Indianola, Iowa, Book "G" Pages 245-247 incl.

At the regular City Election held on March 26, 1906, a 2 mill tax levy for 2 years for park purposes was authorized and H. E. Hopper, J. L. Tilton and Wm. Buxton Jr. were elected Park Commissioners. Book "G" PP 262, 266, 269, 329.

CONDITIONS OF THE DONATION OF BUXTON PARK

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Indianola, Iowa, held on January 8, 1906, Attorney A. V. Proudfoot appeared and submitted a communication from William Buxton Sr., concerning the conditions of the donation of ground for Park purposes, as follows:

"to the Honorable Mayor & City Council
of the City of Indianola, Iowa,

Gentlemen:

"The undersigned, in accordance with his informal and preliminary proposition made to your honorable body some days ago, with reference to his intention to give to the City of Indianola, Iowa, for Park purposes, two blocks of ground described as blocks Twenty-eight (28) and Twenty-nine (29), College Addition to the City of Indianola, Iowa, and in accordance with his agreement with you at that time so to do, now hereby presents the following formal proposition: That he will convey by warranty deed to the proper persons as contemplated by the statute, said blocks of ground for park purposes, on the following terms and conditions, namely:

"That the City of Indianola, through its Mayor and City Council, shall comply with the statute in such cases made and provided, namely:

"Submit to the people of the City the question of electing three Park Commissioners, as provided by statute, and raise and levy a tax for Park purposes, and that the City Council shall also take the proper steps to vacate all the streets and alleys running through said blocks of ground, and the street lying between said blocks and the College Campus, or so much thereof as may be deemed advisable to properly lay out and beautify said blocks as a Public Park.

"To the end, therefore, that this improvement may be made as speedily as possible, I suggest that the Council take such steps as may be necessary under the statute, and bring about the conditions herein laid down so far as possible at the regular city election to be held on the last Monday in March, 1906.

"And if the people of the City by an affirmative vote, elect such Board of Commissioners and raise the tax for the purpose of improving and beautifying said blocks as a Public Park, and the Council shall take the steps necessary as herein indicated, in that event, the undersigned holds himself in readiness at any time after said conditions have been met, to make the deed hereinbefore indicated for the purpose above described.

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BUXTON PARK

Streets and Alleys

Ordinance No. 66 adopted June 1, 1906, accepted Buxton Park. Min. Book "G" P 315.

On the same date, a resolution was adopted vacating the part of "B" Street between W. Franklin and W. Girard Aves. and the north and south alleys in blocks 28 and 29 of College Add. Min. Book "G" 316.

Also on the same date, the Park Commissioners were granted a 20 ft. street on the south side of Buxton Park. Min. Book "G" PP314-315

And on June 11, 1906, the City Council adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas, it is necessary for the proper improvement of Buxton Park that West Franklin Ave. lying between North "A" Street and North "C" Street be vacated:

"Therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Indianola, Iowa, that that portion of West Franklin Avenue lying between North "A" Street and North "C" Street be and the same is hereby vacated and shall hereafter be used in connection with blocks 28 and 29, College Addition to Indianola, Iowa, for Park purposes." Min. Book "G" PP 322-323

LIFE IN 1906

Five years earlier in 1901, the country experienced the assassination of William McKinley, making Theodore Roosevelt the president at age 42, the youngest president of the United States before or since. During 1906, Roosevelt designated Devil's Tower, in Crook County, Wyoming, as the nation's first National Monument, and legislation by Congress established Mesa Verde National Park in Colorado. Roosevelt was the first president to travel abroad when he took a trip to Panama in November to inspect the progress of the Panama Canal.



There were 45 states in the Union in 1906. Oklahoma would become the 46th state in 1907. New Mexico and Arizona would follow in 1912, and Alaska and Hawaii in 1959.



The 1906 Ford Model N, America's most popular car, sold for \$500. First class stamps cost 2 cents.

Soft drink choices included Pepsi (introduced in 1902), Canada Dry Ginger Ale and Dr. Pepper (1904), Royal Crown Cola (1905) and the new, tamer Coca Cola. That company had just changed the formula of its drink (invented in 1886) so that it no longer included cocaine extracts.

WORLD AND NATIONAL HEADLINES

An earthquake and fire destroy San Francisco on April 18, causing 530 deaths and \$350 million worth of damage.

The Pure Food and Drug Act forbids the marketing of any food containing "any added poisonous or detritus substance which may render it injurious to health".

English biochemist Frederick Hopkins concluded that vitamins are essential and that lack of vitamins causes scurvy and rickets.

SPORTS HEADLINES

The Intercollegiate Athletic Association of the United States is formed to set rules for amateur sports in the United States at the urging of President Theodore Roosevelt. It would become the National Collegiate Athletic Association in 1910.

Nine hundred athletes from 20 countries went to the Olympics in Athens, Greece. The U.S.A. dominated the Track and Field, taking 11 of 21 events.

Professional football legalized the forward pass.

The Chicago White Sox defeated the Chicago Cubs in the World Series.



BOOKS & MOVIES

- An animated cartoon film is produced, *Humorous Phases of Funny Faces*.
- Jack London continues adventure novel successes with *White Fang*.
- Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle* exposes filthy, dangerous meat packing industry.



LOCAL HEADLINES

The residents of Indianola had lived for more than 50 years without a public park in Indianola. So when William Buxton, Sr. donated land for a park, the local newspaper wrote an enthusiastic article about the generous donor. (See next page.)

WM. BUXTON MAKES INDIANOLA CHRISTMAS GIFT

A HANDSOME GIFT

FOR OLD AND YOUNG

Long Felt Want Comes from Pioneer Citizen and Old Friend Of College and City.

A Christmas gift to the public. Our fondest hopes have been realized. Indianola is to have a public park, the gift of Williams Buxton, Sr. President of the Warren County State Bank. We will call it a Christmas gift and in after years when the place becomes a beautiful flower garden where all will be welcome and feel at home when strolling through it or sitting beneath its beautiful shade trees (for we fancy we can see them now) we will remember William Buxton as a friend of Indianola – the city which he has loved and still loves, and in which he has always taken deep interest. You never saw William Buxton out of place. He is a man to be relied upon: always cheerful, open hearted, devoted to whatever he undertakes in life, and for a man of his means has given more and given it more cheerfully and freely than any man we have ever known. It has been a part of his life to make others happy. He has never shown a selfish motive. He is strict in business but always honest and he will be remembered as the best friend Simpson College and Indianola has ever had.

Time and time again we have heard people say that Indianola's greatest need was a public park. As a representative of the press, always hoping that the time would come when our hopes, as well as those of others, would be realized, we confess that we were surprised when the news came: but not surprised that it came from Wm. Buxton. It only shows the greatness of the man and the goodness of the man. William Buxton will pass away – but his memory – never. He is one man of whom we can say he is rich in blessings.



The grounds selected and purchased by him for the city park is the E.W. Hartman tract laying just north of the college 300x600 feet, beautifully located and valuable property.

It is Mr. Buxton's desire that the street between the college and the park site be vacated and that the college join with the city in making the park what it intended to be – a blessing to both.

Mr. Buxton has long cherished the thought of giving Indianola something. Indianola has made him money. He has been a boon to Indianola; and coming as it does at this Christmas time, the gift will be greatly appreciated by all our people. It is the desire of the donor that a landscape artist be employed to lay out the tract and that a commission be appointed from the city and college to act together in the matter; that the high board

fence surrounding the college athletic field be removed and if possible for the college to improve that part of their grounds in accordance with his plans for the park site.

However this may be we can rest assured that the people of Indianola will do their part in making the place beautiful, and the Simpson College authorities have never been found lacking when it comes to doing their part toward public improvement.

Mr. Buxton is the strongest friend Simpson College has ever found. He loves the institution. His children, all successful in life, have been educated there. He has given the institution \$35,000 and rejoices in its prosperity, and if the authorities of the college would feel like following the advice of any man, it seems the advice of

this distinguished friend would be heeded.

William Buxton is a native of England, being born in County Derby in 1828. When 23 years of age he came to America, first stopping in Indiana in 1851. His next move was made on horseback, riding from Shelbyville, near Indianapolis, to Scotch Ridge, arriving here Nov. 22, 1852. En route he entered 200 acres of land in Illinois. He stopped on Scotch Ridge with Wm. Smith, an old school mate across the waters, who had come over in 1849 and who died about one year ago.

Mr. Buxton's first purchase in Warren County was an 80 acre tract on Scotch Ridge, now owned by John Utterson. His next purchase became widely known as the home of the Buxton's where they lived for a period of 40 years. That farm is now a part of the town of Carlisle. He made the purchase in the spring of 1853, when the farm was only partly improved and for 15 years lived in an old log cabin. The old farm was sold 12 years ago last spring when the family came to Indianola.

Mr. Buxton was one of the charter members of the Warren County Bank and the only one of the original stockholders now living. When Mr. Buxton became President of the institution the bank stock was worth only 90¢ on the dollar. Now it is easily worth \$2.50; and the deposits are a half million. Mr. Buxton's career has been a most successful one both at farming and banking. He is also President of the Citizens Bank of Carlisle, owned jointly with his son, now sojourning in California, who recently retired from the cashiership of the Warren County State Bank.

Mr. Buxton still owns 1,300 acres of land, besides considerable business and residence property in Indianola.

He is prominent in every good cause, and is held in high esteem by all who know him.

EARLY PARK PICTURES



(Top) The earliest known photo of Buxton Park is this hand-tinted shot taken near the corner of Buxton Street (then known as A Street) and Detroit Avenue, looking northwest. The curving path at right leads to the fountain, but the gazebo has not yet been built. The graveled street would not be paved until much later.



(Middle) This view includes the new gazebo, as well as a second home on North B Street with a fenced paddock in back. Upon careful inspection you can see the work of the horse-drawn mower near the gazebo, with the shorter grass of the mown lawn appearing lighter.



(Bottom) Another hand-tinted photo taken from approximately the same location. The plantings have grown, and the hedges around the fountain appear to have been pruned. This artist chose not to tint the roofs of the homes nearby, instead emphasizing the flowering bushes and tree in the foreground and flower beds in the park and next to a home.

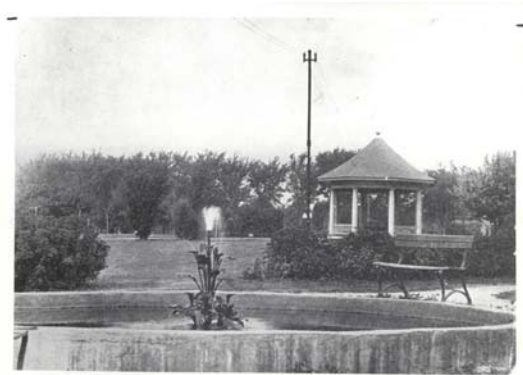
THE FIRST FOUNTAIN



Different photos of the fountain show the water at varying heights. The view above was possibly taken from the gazebo looking northeast. The home at left is 300 W. Girard. At the right edge of the picture is 710 North A Street. (Buxton) The homes in the photo bottom left are also on A Street. This photo gives good detail of the decorative lights that dotted the park. Note the electric pole behind the gazebo, bottom right. Rather than level the dirt for the fountain bed, the craftsmen designed and built the fountain to adapt to the slope of the landscape, as shown by the different heights of the concrete ring in the foreground of the two pictures below.



Looking southeast toward A Street (Buxton Street)



Looking southwest. Behind the gazebo is C Street

THE FIRST GAZEBO

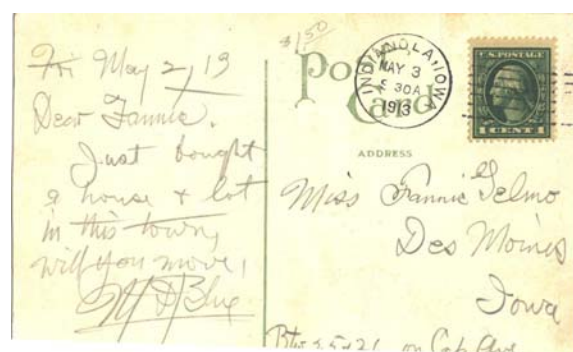


This view of the gazebo was taken fairly early, before plantings began to mature. To the left in the background is Simpson College's Music Conservatory building. This also clearly shows the two parallel paths beside the gazebo which led north toward Girard Avenue.

At right, women in Victorian dress stroll past the gazebo. The photo is shot looking east toward A Street.



In the postcard below, a man in a horse-drawn buggy heads south past the gazebo.



Collector Dave Brown of Indianola has at least 15 postcards of Buxton Park. Most were mailed from Indianola by visitors, Simpson students, or in one case, a new resident in town who used the postcard to issue an invitation to a young lady (above right). "Fri. May 2, 13 Dear Fannie, Just bought a house & lot in this town. Will you move. MD Blue"

BRICK ENTRANCES



The homes on A Street and Girard Avenue, visible in the photo at left, are hidden from view by 50 years of growth below.

The two blocks of Detroit Avenue that separated the park from Simpson College were never paved. In March of 1952, the Park Commission paid Roy Sterling \$41.25 to rebuild and repair the brick entrances to the park. J.M. Harlan was paid \$10.18 for materials.



But by February of 1955, the board asked the City Council to close the rocked street permanently because it was in poor condition and was being used as a parking area, damaging park property. Shown at left is the east entrance to the park. Simpson College's Conservatory of Music is in the background.

THE SUNKEN GARDEN (FORMAL GARDEN)



The sunken garden, or formal garden, has remained a permanent fixture of the park, even during the years without a gazebo. The pink brick conversation benches at right provided a meeting place for Simpson College students and community members during the 1960s—1980s.



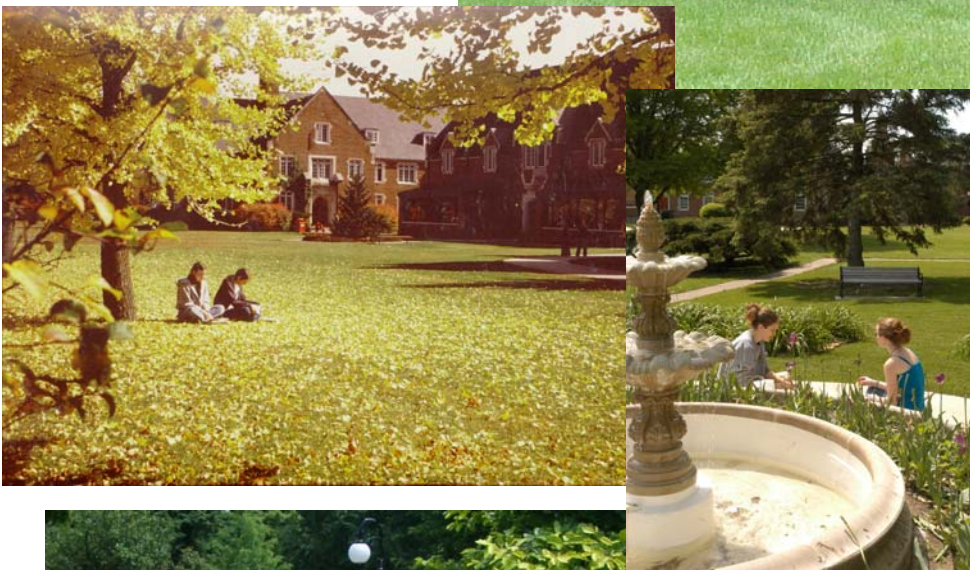
In the summer of 1930, the Kennedy sisters traveled to Buxton Park from their home south of Des Moines with their parents, who were interested in flower gardening. Armetta (11) and Eva (2), are standing next to the sundial in the sunken garden. Seventy-six years later, Armetta (Kennedy) Keeney still lives in the area.



PEOPLE IN THE PARK

Throughout its history, people have enjoyed the beauty and serenity of Buxton Park. Simpson College students soak up sunshine while studying. Joggers, cyclists and walkers use the park frequently.

The beautiful foliage, flowers and features of the park make wonderful backgrounds for senior photos, prom pictures and weddings.



PAST AND PRESENT COMMISSION MEMBERS

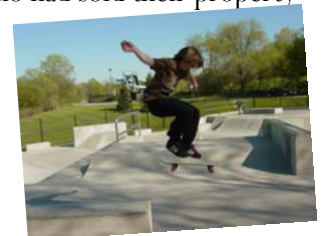
Jerry	Anderson	2005-
John R.	Barker	1944-55
William	Buxton Jr.	1906-35?
C. Duane	Clark	1982-87
Rich	Clogg	1995-99
Mike	Coppess	1993-98
Rae L.	Dean	1951-53
Stephen	Dermand	1988-93
Mary	Donaghy	1998-2000
Sherri	Engel	1996-2002
Keith	Eubank	1981-86
Katherine	Farris	1979-81
Frank	Ford Jr.	1976-79
Rick	Gebhart	1984-86
William	Gilbert	1980
Harry L.	Grange	1948-50
Dennis	Hunt	1988-91
Helen G.	Grant	1956-73
Mary Kay	Hamell	2000-05
Don	Hampton	1989-94
John	Hartung	2002-04
Alva	Hicks	1954-55
Corwyn	Hicks	1956-76
Rosemary	Hoover	1993-98
H.E.	Hopper	1906-35?
Raymond	Hughes	1946
Louis B.	Kenney	1978-80
Kurt	Lickiss	2002-04
Greg	Marchant	1983
C.G.	Maxwell	1935-36
Gib	McConnell	1987-92
Rosanne	Mead	1988-89
David	Mick	1978
Audrey	Miller	1987-92

Francis I.	Moats	1951-58
Linda	Morris	1985-87
Jess	Newman	1959-75
Donni	Nowasell	1981-82
Judy	Porter	1978-80
Elizabeth	Raney	1994-99
Clark	Raney	2005-
Dean	Richmond	1976-81
C.N.	Rogers	1948-50
Dixie	Ruble	1982-87
Jim	Rundle	1984-88, 2001-
Tom	Schmidt	2006-
Gordon	Shaver	1947
Seth F.	Shenton	1935-46
Sara	Sigler	1935-46
Paul	Smith	2001-02
Eleanor	Smith	1976
Henry	Stabus	1981-83
Mrs. Dwight	Stevenson	1947
Lillian	Stewart	1990
Dave	Summy	1995-97
Roger	Thompson	1999-2001
J.L.	Tilton	1906-35?
Robbie	VanArkel	2003-05
Eric	VanDorin	2000
Eric	VanderLinden	2006-
Mike	Vitiritto	1991-95
Ray	Walke	1983-84
Joe	Walt	1976-82
Lanny	Ward	1992-94
Chris	Weinmann	1935-43
Nancy	Wood	2003-
Cole	Zimmerman	1999-2001

A PARKS TIMELINE



- 1849 The City of Indianola is established.
- 1906 William Buxton, Sr. donates 2 blocks of land for a park.
- 1922 City turns over a wet and swampy block of land to the park board. It would later be developed into North Park. A second block is purchased in 1939.
- 1933 City purchases waterworks area southwest of town, names it Waterworks Park.
- 1933 City purchases land then turns it over to the State of Iowa to be developed into a park with a lake, leading to the creation of Lake Ahquabi State Park.
- 1947 Waterworks Park renamed Richard Downey Memorial Park, in memory of the caretaker's son, who lost his life serving in World War II.
- 1948-96 Lions Club persuades the city to build a wading pool on the lot where the city's water storage tank was located. First named Standpipe Park, then William E. Davis Memorial Wading Pool, and finally Lions Park. The park later closed with the construction of the Aquatic Center.
- 1952 City purchases land at South First Street and East Third Avenue. Park later renamed Barker Park after the Barker family, early pioneers in Indianola.
- 1953-4 North Park development begins. The ditch is drained and a hill at the south end is leveled. After the shelter is built, it is used for weekly band concerts in the 1950s and 60s. Renamed Moats Park in 1957 in honor of Professor and Mrs. Frances Moats.
- 1956-60 Land is purchased for the Memorial Park and development began, including the construction of the Memorial Pool to honor Veterans.
- 1959 Builder Osborne Williams donates 1.03 acres for Dayton Park.
- 1963 City purchases abandoned railroad right-of-way for \$100. It was developed as the Nature Trail.
- 1965 Land is acquired for South Park.
- 1974 City purchases 160 acres from the Clarence Pickard family. Pickard Park will become home to six softball fields, a world-class disc golf course, horseshoe court and hiking trails.
- 1974 City receives land for Easton Park after development of surrounding homes.
- 1976 Max McCord donates 16 acres for a park in southwestern Indianola.
- 1994 Additional railroad right of way is purchased west of the existing Nature Trail. The entire length is hard-surfaced and renamed the McVay Trail in honor of the original landowners who had sold their property to the railroad.
- 1997 Veterans Memorial Aquatic Center opens.
- 1999 Sesquicentennial Park is created as part of the City's sesquicentennial celebration.
- 2002 Indianola Skate Park opens.
- 2005 The McVay/Summerset Trailhead opens, providing restrooms, drinking fountains and off-street parking for the bikers, walkers and skaters who use the two trails.



**2006 IS THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF PARKS
AND TRAILS IN INDIANOLA**

A PROCLAMATION BY THE INDIANOLA PARKS AND RECREATION
COMMISSION AND THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

PARK SYSTEMS are dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for millions of residents in communities around the world through programming, leisure activities and conservation efforts. Park activities and leisure experiences provide opportunities for young people to live, grow and develop into contributing members of society; create lifelines and continuous life experiences for older members of the community; generate opportunities for people to come together and experience a sense of community; and, pay dividends to communities by attracting business and jobs and increasing housing values.

AS WE RECOGNIZE the foresight of William Buxton Sr. and his wife Francis, the 1905-06 City Council and the Indianola community for the establishment of our first park and Board of Park Commissioners. During a regular city election held on March 26, 1906 H.E. Hopper, J.L. Tilton and William Buxton Jr. were elected to represent Indianola's conservation interests and the residents committed to a two-mill park tax to open, maintain, and improve parks.

AS WE OBSERVE the 100th Anniversary, we recognize the vital contributions employees and volunteers have made over the years. These dedicated supporters have kept parks clean and safe for visitors, organized youth activities, provided educational programming, advocated for more open space and better trails, and raised funds for local improvements. They have ensured the parks and trails are safe and accessible places for all citizens to enjoy.

THEREFORE, WITH THE INDIANOLA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION, I, MAYOR JERRY KELLEY HEREBY PROCLAIM 2006 AS THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF PARKS AND TRAILS IN INDIANOLA.

WE CALL UPON park and trail supporters to join us in recognizing the importance our parks and trails and to learn more about how to support the places that bring our community a higher quality of life, safer places to play and healthy alternatives.

WE RESOLVE that during 2006 all area citizens enjoy what Indianola has to offer by taking part in their favorite sports, visiting the outdoors, spending time with family and friends or just relaxing.

Signed this 19th day of June, 2006

Mayor Jerry Kelley



